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A NEW LIQUOR LAW, The bill which Congress is expected at the instance of the Commissioners to pass for the regulation of the liquor traffic is one which will commend itself to the good sense of the citizens of the District. It fixes the wholesale liquor license at \$300 and makes it necessary to pay \$600 for a retail or bar-room license. Every other feature of the bill will be approved as soon as it is examined, and it is in every way satisfactory that Commissioner Douglass should have drawn up an act calculated

to win such general approbation. This act is in the line of the legisla tion which has been found most effeetive in all the great cities of the country for the repression of the abuses of drinking. The evils of intemperance are sufficiently serious to chall lenge the attention and to enlist both the sympathies and the services of every good citizen. But among good citizens, two methods of suppressing those evils are proposed, and unfortunately those methods are antago-

Some excellent citizens contend that the Government cannot issue a license to carry on the liquor traffic without sharing in all the evils of that traffic and without accepting its meed of re sponsibility for every consequence that can, nearly or remotely, be attributed to drink. These contend that the only way in which this inveterate evil can be stamped out and utterly suppressed is by prohibition pure and simple. They 'prohibit the manufacture and sale of the deleterious poison and all the resultant evils will disappear."

It is not at all wonderful that this view should readily gain the assent of good men and women. The great wonfer is that in the presence of the evils. hardship and misery which the drink traffic is known to involve men and women of all classes should not be more vociferous for its suppression. But impulse and sentiment are seldom good guides in the management of human affairs. In actual experience prohibition has not proved a successful mode of coping with the evils complained of, Prohibition has failed wherever hitherto it has been tried. He would, therefore, be a foolbardy man who would now enggest absolute prohibition in the in-

terest of any community. Where the sentiment of a neighborhood will sustain it, local option satisties every requirement of the special ease, and in rural districts much good has resulted from restrictive legislation But in the cities of the country experience has been the other way. Where prohibition has been enacted unbeensed and unlimited drinking has been the rule. In like manner, when low licenses have been levied, a myriad of places have been opened, with neither re-ponsibility nor respectability, and have plied a nefarious business destructive of all personal welfare and

aptagonistic to the public weal. It is because the adoption of the prohibition methods have led to the practice of low and disastrous drinking that it is necessary to oppose the plans of the prohibitionists; and, equally, it is because Commissioner Douglass' bill to enforce high license is chuck full of the most ordinary, most experienced and most solid sort of common sense that it should receive the approval of very man and woman in the District.

WHY NOT AMBASSADORS?

The proposal to make our Ministers at the courts of the five great powers of Europe Ambassadors, if it should be carried into effect, will please the functionaries now filling those ornamental positions and will do no injury to to Diplomatic Service. Indee 11 is a ifficult to form a conception of the thing which could by any possibility burt that service. It was somewhat strained in the Keiley-Austrian embroglio, and relations were suspended for some time. Yet though, at that time, all the quarters of the heavens were searched with powerful telescopes focindications of harm, not the slightest atom was discovered.

It seems that in the graded caste system of Europe the title of ambassador carries with it an importance, superiority and privilege not accorded to the rank of minister. Thus it sometimes happens that the minister of some justs nificant government, through being dubbed an ambassador, takes precedence of the representative of the United States.

Except in a ceremonial sort of way it does not appear what this precedence amounts to. It in no degree means that rank can take the place of brains in the settlement of difficult negotiations. Its whole effect is in a social way. Our Ministers in Europe, as at present accredited, have to sit below the salt at dinner, and have to look with a sense of eavy and discomfiture from the good cheer, the abundant wine and the excellent wit of the lower end of the table to the more stately, dignified and duller

upper end. It will occur to many Americans that dining is not the particular mission with which a Minister of the United States has been entrusted. Yet those who know all the facts and have studied the situation most closely declare that they do not know what our Ministers do in Eupope except go to

dinners and to balls.

hernalia, method, outfit and theory, are effete and ready to become obsolete What important negotiations have Ministers ever conducted to a successful finish? The valuable treaties which have been concluded between this country and foreign governments were, almost without exception, arranged by commissioners extemporized for the

occasion In truth, the diplomatic service in its present shape is a relie of the last century. In the hundred years which have just passed the greatest improvements and discoveries of the world's history have been made. It would be trange If the intercourse of nations should remain where it was, and should show no sign of progress.

The ocean flyer and the sub-oceanic cable have changed all the conditions of modern international life. The Govern ment at Washington can now communicate with the Government of London or St. Petersburg within an hour or less, The need for the old system of instructed representatives has disappeared or is disappearing. The slow delivery of letters is superseded. The Secretary of State of one country can speak directly and as long as he pleases with the same

official of another country. Nevertheless, if they wish it, there is no reason why, while they continue, our ministers should not be ambassadors. If an American minister wants to be solemn be has as good a right as any other man. As an ambassador he can sit at the other end of the table.

LAND IRRIGATION.

Mr. Flower recently delivered speech in the House on Western irrigation, which embodies a good deal of practical wisdom to which the country will do well at this time to take heed. No one has traversed the great plains of the West and observed the evidences of their productiveness under the partial system of irrigation now existing without feeling that, with the requisite supply of water, a vast and valuable region would be opened up for dense settlement and for successful farming operations.

Mr. Flower does not deny the value and importance of irrigation. He admits that its utility has been proved in France, Italy, Spain and India. But he concludes that irrigation is not now necessary in this country because we have no immediate and pressing demand for additional land. The promotion of any scheme of irrigation by the Government would be simply the promotion of "bonanza farming." and that exactly means the introduction of the factory system in food production.

The much abused and very clastic 'general welfare' clause of the Constitution will hardly avail to cover the large expenditures which an extended plan of irrigation would render necessary. The region to be so improved at the last census represented but 4 6 per cent, of the entire wealth of the country and the question is naturally suggested as to whether it is fair to author ize an immense outlay of public money to build up a particular section. Besides, it would not be the people who would be the beneficiaries of an irrigation scheme. In one of his reports Major Powell says:

To a great extent the redemption of all these lands will require extensive and comprehensive plans, for the execution of which aggregated capital or co-operative labor will be necessary. Here individual farmers, being poor men, cannot undertake

We are in the midst of nothing less than an agricultural revolution. As if by magic, bonanza farms have sprung up in the West. Farms of thousands of acres are getting to e quite common. There is one estate of 350,000 acres, covering an area of 547 square These huge tarms are simply big food factories, with the temporary good of the factory system, the cheapening of its products, whether shoes or grain, but with the permanent evils of the factory system reproducing themselves in agriculture, These food factories are worked exhaust lvely, being mere speculations, from which capital hopes soon to retire, and in which, therefore, it has no regard for the future fertility of the land. The hired men have no hold of the land they work, nor does the land hold them

Instead of a settled, free farmer popula tion, building up homes, developing villages and towns, laying the foundation for a sound society, we have gangs of hired laborers, drawn from a distance, herded on the ground during the busy season and then turned loose to shift for themselves; men trained in alternate hard toll and loading, making no homes, furnishing the recruits or those bodies of tramps which of late ears, in dull times, the West has found roaming around with constant danger to

If this system continues and develops it will turn out a class of agricultural labor ers wholly new to our country, incipient paupers and criminals, where we hoped to see a bardy yeomanry. The prospect is of in indefinite continuance of this state of things and of a vast increase of it.

Mr. Flower holds with a good show of ustice that it cannot be right for the Government of the United States to or enly assist in the creation of bonauza farms or in the introduction of pauper methods of agriculture.

The Hon. George P. Marsh, for many years our Minister to Italy, gives his impression of the effect of the irrigation system in that country in the following

The tendency of irrigation, as a regular sgricultural method, is to promote the acimulation of large tracts of land in the hands of single proprietors, and conscmently to dispossess the smaller land-

A comparison of farm values show that during the last decade, while Colorado has advanced over \$20,000,000. Vermont declined over \$30,000,000, and that while Dakota also advanced over \$20,000,000, New Jersey fell back nearly \$70,000,000. The question which is therefore involved in any general scheme of Western irrigation is whether the Government will undertake on a large scale, and at the expense of the whole nation, to cheapen the farming lands of the country and to still further impoverish its farmers.

A VERY INTERESTING recent visitor o the Capital was Robert C. Winthrop. He went to the top of the Washington Monument, at the founding of which he delivered the oration. Congressman Lodge took him over to the Senate Chamber. The old gentleman said to The fact is that it is increasingly ap . I the doorkeeper: "Ob, yes, I have the !

parent that the whole diplomatic para- privilege of the floor. I was a Senator once, but probably before your time I am also an ex Speaker of the House." Mr. Winthrop was Senator from Massachusetts, to fill the unexpired term of Daniel Webster.

THE COTTON PLANT has developed new and unexpected capacities. The cloth made from its down clothes millions of people, the seed from the plant furnishes valuable oil and meal, and now an ingenious Southerner has secured patents in all European countries, also in Canada, Mexico, India and South America, for the conversion of the cotton stalk into a strong fibre equal n quality to the bagging made from inte. This bagging can be sold as cheap as jute bagging and will probably take

THE FREE COLNAGE of silver scheme has received its worst blow from the report of the Director of the Mint, who says that the whole silver product of the country last year amounted to 50,000,000 ounces, worth \$46,750,000 in gold and \$64,646,484 in standard silver dollars. This disparity in values should awaken the interest of all men capable of understanding the question.

EX-CONGRESSMAN W. L. SCOTT is trying buttermitk for dispepsia. The performance is of this order. The buttermilk, in a pan, is set in hot water, it is then brought to the boiling point, but not allowed to boil. The heavy part is then skimmed off. The whey is set aside to cool. Mr. Scott says that after you get used to it, you will like it better than champagne. It has a deliciously acid taste.

LATTERLY THE QUESTION has been gravely discussed whether there would be any surplus left to appropriate. President Harrison has in some measure restored public confidence by vetoing the bill providing for the erection of a public building at Dallas, Texas.

A ST. Louis PAPER, remarking on the fact that the mine owners of the West do not get all they want, states that they want the earth, but intimates that they should be content with the

THE REV. DR. DENTER'S opinion that daily journals will by and by be religious journals, encourages us to hope that in the general progress of things religious journals will become

THE IOWA MEN who are in the habit of saying "Here's looking at you" are of the opinion that the Supreme Cour-Cecision is a quencher.

THERE IS A suspicion that the silver scheme proposed by Western men should be properly denominated buy-

EDITOR HAWTHORNE of Florida, by one or two strokes of his pen, raised himself to a national reputation.

PERSONAL

Senator Colquitt has broken up ousekeeping at 228 New Jersey avenue and sent his family to his home in Atlanta.

It is reported that when W. E. Curtis learned that Augusta was not the capi-tal of Georgia he declined to go on the

Captain A. F. McMillan, the recently appointed Deputy First Auditor of the Treasury, entered upon his new duties this morning and was tendered something approaching the dimensions of a White House reception by his numerous friends in and out of the Department, while his room presented the appear. ance of a section of the Botanical Gar-His appointment is one very generally and deservedly popular and pre-eminently fit to have been made.

Paul B. Du Chaillu is in London and not in good health. His threat troubles him exceedingly. Mrs. Isabella Beecher Hooker has the

eyes, forehead, and nose of her late brother, Henry Ward Beecher. Gertrude Magill, daughter of the presi dent of the Quaker College at Swarth-more, Pa., is studying for the ministry. Chapman Coleman, first secretary of the American legation at Berlin, is en-gaged to marry Miss Hendricks, a rich girl of Frankfort, Ky.

Lieutenant Wordsworth, a grandson of the great English poet, is reported to have committed suicide, disappointment in love producing despondency.

Miss Mary Murfree, better known in literary circles as Charles Egbert Craddock, has returned to Tennessee to re side with her parents at the old home

It is reported that General W. F. Draper of Massachusetts will shortly be married to Miss Preston of Kentucky. The father of Miss Preston was United States Minister to Spain under Presi-dent Buchanan and served as a majorgeneral in the Confederate army.

The Duchess of Aosta enjoys the dis tinction which attaches to the possession of the most elaborate mourning cloak that the genius of Paris could devise It is made of very heavy lusterless silk trimmed with flat bands of the richest ostrich plumes and finished at the edges with soft fringes of these plumes, headed

by bands of costly dull jet. In England the man who posed as a rank Radical for many years—Joseph Chamberlain, to wit—parted his hair in the middle and wore a single glass, and yet the workmen simply worshipped him. No man could wear a single glass, however, and still be a Radical. Mr. Chamberlain succumbed to the influence of the monocle after a time and joined

the Conservatives. VANQUISHED.

She talked to him of Plato and of Tacitus and Cato; spoke of Eaop and Dio-genes with tears in her blue eyes. Asked him what he thought of Homer and of Hesiod the roamer; how the jokes of old Hieroeles compared with Wil-

breath came short and senaty as she flew along by Dante, but she pulled herself together and she got her sec-

mentioned old man Chancer, Milton's wife, and did he boss her; and dwelt on Burns and Byron and the dreadful way they sinned.

sat quite mum, though frowning, till she settled down on Browning; and deeming she meant Peter, he said be thought perhaps She would like to hear of Ewing and what

Brother Ward was doing; recalci-trant old Anson, and of Kelly's ten der taps. could talk base ball, he stated, and with eloquence related the history of every game down to the present

And when his tale was ended, she said he was just splendld, as she got down upon her knees to adore him as her peer. - Tom Masson in New York San.

THE SOCIAL WORLD.

Mrs. Noble was the only one of the Cabinet ladies who received yesterday, and as that occasion was known to be the last of the season the residence of the Secretary of the Interior was well filled with callers during the afternoon. Mrs. Noble took advantage of the charming weather to pay a earlier portion of the afternoon, as heretofore she has not been able to do so on account of the pressure of official engagements. Among those upon whom Mrs. Noble called was her sister, Mrs. Henry Strong, who has given two bandsome luncheons in her honor during the past fortnight. Miss Margaret Haisted and Mrs. Noyes of St. Louis assisted Mrs. Noble in receiving. Iced Appolinaris water served to the callers.

The residence of Mrs. Lewis Clephane was well filled with ladies yesterday afternoon upon the occasion of the first of the series of quodlibet luncheons to be given during the spring. The next luncheon will be given at Mrs. Harvey Spaulding's on Wednesday next. Mr. E. E. Hastings of the Pennsylva-nia Railroad, accompanied by his wife, will leave next week for a visit to Atlantic City.

Mrs. Howard of Malone, N. Y., is in the city for a stay of some weeks at 1454 Corcoran street. The marriage of Miss Alice Myers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Myers, to Mr. Thomas M. Draney took place at 8 o'clock lest evening at Trinity Church.

So clock lest evening at Triuity Church.
Rev. Dr. Addison officiated. The
ushers were Messrs. Charles Myers,
Seymour Wright, Harry Chase, Harry
Dowling, William Mahoney and Frederick Brackett. Upon the return of
Mr. and Mrs. Draney from their wedding journey they will reside at 2304
Fourteenth street.

Senator and Mrs. Stanford will return to day from their Western trip. The religious portion of the marriage

service between Count Pappenheim and Miss Wheeler of Philadelphia took place in that city yesterday with great ceremony at St. Mark's Church, where Rev. Dr. Nicholson offici-ated. The crowd gathered about the church was so large that it was at last found necessary to close the doors, as the building was thronged to suffocation, notwithstanding which numbers of invited guests were com-pelled to stand on the sidewalks. When the wedding party arrived they entered the church in the following order: First the ushers—Mr. C. Hartman Huhn, Mr. Mitchell Harrison, Dr. John B. Shober, Mr. Frederick H. Allen, Dr. J. William White, Mr. Paul Farnum, Mr. S. Bowman Wheeler, Baron von Beck Friess, Baron von Swinderin, Count Sieg-fried von Castell Rudenhausen, who was to have been one of the ushers, was prevented by the death of his sister. The bridesmaids were Miss Ethel Wheeler, Miss Molly Brown, Miss Elizabeth Brown, Miss Florence Glissau

Miss Eleanor Coit, Miss Sally Livingstone, Miss Polly Seeger, Miss Margie Tyson, Miss Nelly Farnum, Miss Louise Shipman, Miss Gertrude Wheeler, and Miss Carrie Tyson. The ushers were black frock coa's and light gray trousers. In their white thes was a gold pin, the gift of the groom, in the form of a coronet, on which were raised the Count's initials. Six of the bridesmaids wore gowns of French gray, and six of rose pink crepe de chine, with broad-brimmed white chip hats garlanded with roses. Then

followed the bride on the arm of her brother, Mr. Charles Wheeler, who arrived from Europe on Monday. The wedding gown was of white satin veiled in old point lace which completely en-veloped the bride, who was met at the chancel by the groom and his brother; Ludwig, as best man, both in full court costume. The Count wore white broadcloth trousers, with stripes of dark blue down the sides, and a dark blue coat corded with silver. He carried a cocked hat under his arm, and as he walked a straight court sword clanked at his side. The costume of the best man was the Pappenheim uniform of dark green with gold but-tons. The ceremony at the church was ollowed by a large reception at the

Wheeler mausion Mr. and Mrs. T. Pliny Moran have oved from 1416 N street to Meridian street, Mount Pleasant.

Mr. Cummings of Boston is in the for his annual visit to his mother who has spent the winter with Justice and Mrs. Blatchford.

Mrs. S. H. Kauffman and the Misses Kauffman have issued invitations for a tea Saturday afternoon at their new esidence on Massachusetts avenue. Mr. and Mrs. John Key will soo leave for Colorado, where they will make their future home. Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Thom and family have left the city for their coun-

try place in Maryland. A Tender-Hearted Customer.

"Oh, the poor little lamb," said a tender-hearted lady at the butcher's 'I hate to order the meat and think I'm helping to destroy the little creatures." "I can send 'em around alive, ma'am, if you say so," said the butcher.

The Wild and Woolly East, From the New York Herald. Sometimes we hear of a festive cow boy discharging his gun into a passer ger coach on a railroad in the far West but to hear that the windows of a Ninth avenue "L" car are perforated with three bullet holes offers food for reflec-

ion and matter for police investigation. A Sad Fact,

Louisville Courter-Journa It is really very sad that an Administration that ascribes its existence to the special providence of God should have formed so many entangling alliances with the Prince of Darkness that is dare not hold unfaithful public officers to an account of their misdeeds

Shakespeare Mistaken,

From the Cincinnati Enquires If the mummy of Cleopatra exists. and if, as alleged, it is to be brought to the United States for exhibition, then we shall see how utterly mistaken Shakespeare was in declaring that age ould not wither her nor custom stale er infinite variety.

A Small Man in a Large Place, From the Bufulo Ten

Mr. Hardson has been long enough in office for the people to take measure of him, and the verdict seems to be that he is a small man in a large place. His own party is freest in expressing opinions of his calibre,

> A Clarion Call. From the Rullimore Heraid.

think it was rather vulgar. Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, it is reported, has received a call from Chicago which he may accept. It is remarkable how loud and clear a ministerial call is when it ends with some such little clause as "We'll give you \$20,000."

The Only Requisites. From the Philipstelphia Time It used to be supposed that legisla ion was the work of the House and Senate. Now it requires a caucus and Speaker Reed to get a bill passed,

AMUSEMENTS,

The Boston Symphony Orchestra, The final concert of the Boston Sym shony series was given last night at incoln Hall in the presence of such an audience as only this unrivaled organration can bring together, and in the nids; of an universal regret that these delightful performances must even emporarily take their leave of us. usual, it was an audience that included pretty much all the culture and distinct tion of Washington, and one which hung with wrapt and breatbless attention on the magic wand of the inspired leader till the final note of each movement was the signal for a tempest of

applause.

There was a May Day appropriate

ness in the selection of the opening number, Shumann's "Spring Symphony,"
No. 1 in B flat, a work replete with the bright joyousness of the season and expressive of the emotions of the happiest period of the composer's life. His thought and mood, and all the radiant and buoyant grace of youth, hope and fortunate love, the heart of the man and the musician, are in these fluent passages; the merry notes of birds, the mellow undertone of brooks, the happy sighing of the amorous breeze; and all these now speak and sing as never before, except to him who heard them in his heart, beneath the witcher of this wonderful readition. witchery of this wonderful rendition.
It is this trait of vivid personal insight and sympathy with the thought of the composer that, perhaps, even more than his powerful individuality of technical interpretation, distinguishes the leadership of Mr. Nikisch from any other with which we have been familiar. It was quite as manifest, though with a difference, in the minor orchestral numbers as in the symphony; the unearthly, cerie and ghoulish "Danse Macabre" of Saint Saens, as wonderful a work of symphonic description as ever haunted the brain of genius, and the Rubinstein "Bal Costume" suite, with its magnifi-"Bal Costume" suite, with its magnifi-cent finale in the Torcadore movement, which, as conducted by Mr. Nikisch, is a veritable elective storm of hitherto unleard of harmonic effects and was a fitting climax to a concert of unequalled

orchestral excellence.

Of the soloists of the evening, Mme.
Steinbach-Jahns impressed the audience as the possessor of an artistic method and a dramatic soprano of considerable range and volume, though lacking somewhat lacking somewhat in sympathetic quality, which was heard to better adquality, which was heard to better advantage in the "Tannhaeuser" aria than in the subsequent songs with piano by Schumann, Nikisch and Goldmark. Mr. Leo Schulz, one of the many solo cirtuows of this wonderful band, was heard in Eckert's "Concerto for Violoncello" in A minor, a work possessing an andante movement of an especial and appealing beauty, which was rendered with a depth and a purity of tone and a sincerity of sentiment peof tone and a sincerity of sentiment pe-

culiarly effective.

The orchestra will be heard to-night with the Choral Society in Dudley Buck's masterpiece, "The Light of Asia," under the personal leadership of the composer, and then we shall regret-fully bid them farewell, with an ap-pended "auf wiederschn," and the hope that their return may be no further distant than the earliest date at their dis-

Depew Superstitious,

Channeey Depen. As to sitting down with thirteen at table, that is one thing I would not do. But I respect the superstition, not because I am superstitious, but because I do not want to feel uncomfortable. Three times in my life have I been one of a dinner party of thirteen. On each occasion one passed the joke to another that he or she would be the victim. In every instance one of the guests died within the year. So, in my experience, the truth of the adage was proved.

A Four Hundred Dinner From the New York Commercial-Advertises At a dinner given in this city recently to a detachment of the Four Hundred, marrow bones were served as one of the courses, each bone being tied with a ribbon held in place by an enameled pin with a diamond in the centre. In consequence of such costly presents, every one is willing to go down on his marrow bones to get in

vited to these gift entertainments. An Effect of Civilization.

From the Philadelphia Press. Sitting Bull tells his fellow Sioux that it is beneath the dignity of the noble red man to toil for a living, and that he should leave the squaws to do the work for him. It is evident that civilization has made a profound impression upon this gay and festive old

Will Avoid Virginia. From the New York Press. Mrs. Alice Snell-McCrea, who al lucted Douglass Green and carried him off to Europe, is said to be coming home to explain that she didn't mean any offense by it. As she contracted a biga-moss marriage with him in Virginia it may be well for her to keep out of that State until it is decided whether or not her explanation really explains.

A Low-Priced Vocalist.

From the Scranton Truth. In the absense of an opportunity to hear "the divine Patti," at advanced rates, the song of the robin is not to be neezed at these sunny mornings. The robin is a generous as well as a sweet singer, and does not believe in "robbin" the public for the privilege of listening to his liquid notes.

Queer Uncle Jerry.

Uncle Rusk is shocked at the compe tition of American farmers with \$19, 000,060 worth of indigo, jute butts block tin and essential oils "produced by the ryots of India," but he thinks that \$150,000,000 or so in pensions is a mere bagatelle they can afford to pay every year without winking.

A Silver Warehouse.

From the Philadelphia Time When the silver men turn'the Governsent into a silver warehousing concern and the farmers get as much as the silver men ask the framers of the Constitution will be justified in resurrecting themselves just to speak their minds about such a distortion of their handi-

Rather Vulgar, From the New York Tribune, Senator Vest pulled down his waistcoat on Monday and made a speech against the World's Fair in general and Chicago in particular. St. Louis, no loubt, thinks the performance was very funny, but the rest of the country mu-

Expectant Europe.

The day on which the dainty figure of Queen Victoria is to be seen within the uniform of a colonel of Prusslan guards is approaching. All Europe is awaiting the awful sight with remark-

The great Bonauza mines of Nevada are less noted than Dr. Buil's Cough Syrap.
Our citizens are delighted with Salvation OB. They sever had as good a pain-remedy.

JUDGE KINCAID'S COUNSEL. An Excellent Pen Picture of Distin-guished Washingtonians, The trial of Mr. Charles E. Kincaid for

the murder of ex Congressman William

P. Taulbee will be the most dramatic criminal case since the famous trial of Guiteau. Aside from the fact that the murder was committed in the Capitol, the prominence of the parties interested are such that the trial is certain to bring out the utmost legal resources of both the Government and the defense. At the head of Mr. Kincaid's defenders is Mr. Charles Maurice Smith of this city, who is acknowledged to be the ablest and most brilliant leader of criminal practice in this section. Mr. Smith is a young man-not yet 40-but in the numerous murder cases which he has tried he never yet had a client executed. In person he is a blg six footer, carrying his 230 pounds of solid flesh with ease and grace. His smoothly-shaven face is frank and handsome, and he has the peculiar faculty of gaining the confidence and sympathy of a jury by pure personal magnetism. In addi-tion to this faculty he is a wonderfully eloquent and logical speaker, a shrewd and far-sighted cross-examiner, and, it is safe to say, knows more about the intricate workings of the criminal law of this District than any man in it. Ex Judge Jere Wilson is the second

He was formerly a member of Con-gress from Indiana, but has made Washington his home for many years. He has been concerned in hundreds of prominent cases, and stands among the foremost lawyers in this country. In the examination and application of evidence Judge Wilson has not a superior in this country. Senator Daniel W. Voorhees has probably been engaged as counsel in more murde cases than any man living. His elo mence is national. In all probability will close for the defence, as Mr Smith will open. Congressman Charles H. Grosvenor of Ohio, one of the ablest of the delegation from the Buckeye State, will also be one of Mr. Kincaid's advisers. In a running debate upon the floor of the House there is no man

the floor of the House there is no man on the Republican side who is his superior. He is the opposite to Mr. Voorhees in many particulars.

The Indiana Senator is nervous, quick, impulsive, while Grosvenor is cool, calm, calculating, keen and incisive. Nothing seems to disturb his equanimity. While others are swept off their feet, he stands unmovable as a rock. I have never seen a man whose rock. I have never seen a man whose self-possession and self-reliance is as perfect as Mr. Grosvenor's. As a cross examiner he is merciless in his search after the truth. No man stands higher at the bar than he. In person, Mr. Grosvenor is a cross between the ideal Santa Clause and President Harrison, if you can amazine such a reduct you can amagine such a product He is a much larger man than the Presi dent. Few men in Congress have more brilliant war record. The Govern more brilliant war record. ment will be represented by District Attorney Hoge and Assistant District Attorney Lipscomb, both of whom are learned, able and brilliant. The trial will bring forth the utmost endeavors of both sides, and not the least interest ing fact of it is that a brother of the murdered man has threatened to kill Mr. Kincaid in case of an acquittal.

THE PETTY HUMORISTS

Of all the bores who weary men And rouse them unto anger,
And rouse them unto anger,
Worse than book agents, worse than they
Who shout their wares in streets all day,
Worse than the bells which call to pray
Men with their morning clangor—
Worse than the worst of these by far
Is he who whistles in a car.

The poet who, in liquid rhyme,
The "merry whistler" praises,
I would be were condemned to ride
A half-hour prisoner by his side,
While discord from his bunched lips glide,
And saw men's anguished faces;
He'd write, I'll take my oath, no more
Sweet sonnets to th' infernal bore.
—Chicano Times. DOMESTIC DRESS GOODS.

"Hello, Jack, where are you living now?"
"I am boarding with a widow lady on Madison avenue. Where are you living?

"Oh, I'm the guest of a widower gentleman with two daughter ladies and one son gentleman-same avenue." "I can always tell when my husband has been drinking," said a young wife.

"Yes?" said another young wife.
"Yes, I know it the moment he kisses me."
"I can also tell when my husbane has been drinking," said the other.

"Yes. When he doesn't kiss me. Chicago Herald.

A miss yelept Susan Van Duzen For a partner a red man was choosin'; She married a full Kin of old Sitting Bull, And thereafter she wrote her name Sioux - Yonkers Gasette.

Gilroy-Whom would you name i asked to designate the master of American fiction? Larkin (unhesitatingly) — General Greely.—New York Sun.

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